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Hello, Sir and/or Madam.

I have some genuine concern over the proposed settlement of the Microsoft Antitrust case. As is, the proposed settlement isn't going to remedy the problem with Microsoft's past and future actions. In the past they have had very anticompetitive actions against their competitors and even with the restrictions that would be placed upon microsoft by the settlement, it wouldn't stop them from behaving the same way.

In your settlement you tell microsoft that they are to open up their API's to other companies. But you don't require them to do it free of charge. Microsoft could potentially open up the API's to anyone willing to pay a million dollars for a very restrictive licensed version of the documents. Microsoft should be required to publish ALL their API's and Data Structures in a media format that is free of charge and free to be used in any manner without restriction.

I would also make a requirement that future API's should be treated the same way for the next 15 years.

Thanks,

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